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Via ECFS

Ms. Marlene H. Dortch
Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, SW
Washington, DC 20554

Re: WT Docket No. 12-69

Dear Ms. Dortch:

Information Age Economics, a Washington, DC-based research and consulting company, is submitting the attached *ex parte* comments relevant to the Interoperability NOPRM. This is a follow-up to our earlier comments in this proceeding and bears on the dramatic impact of the newly released LTE compatible Apple iPhone 5. Due to the likelihood of widespread iPhone 5 adoption by both Verizon and AT&T customers, we believe that this will change the facts on the ground by introducing several tens of millions of non-interoperable handsets into the LTE marketplace. As a consequence, this will force the FCC's hand in the subject NOPRM and will necessitate prompt and decisive action by the FCC in this proceeding. In the absence of such action, non-interoperability will become an irreversible characteristic of the U.S. LTE environment and will cause the nation to cede its leadership position in wireless broadband to other nations.

This *ex parte* notification is being filed electronically with your office pursuant to Section 1.1206 of the Commission's Rules.

Sincerely,

/s/

Alan Pearce, Ph.D.
President

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